

EVSTL SENIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

October 30, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Ruth Swanson at 2:00 p.m. at Sunland Village. Roll call was taken with fourteen clubs responding, constituting a quorum. Executive Committee members introduced themselves by position. Each Club President/Voting representative introduced themselves and others from their respective parks.

MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2012

Brona Freeman, Secretary/Treasurer moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was given by Brona Freeman showing a balance of \$104.49. Report was accepted as presented and filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

President Swanson read an email from Huey Burk, EVSTL Historian that gave an update/status of her efforts to create a historical record of EVSTL. She thanked everyone who provided input to this effort. She encouraged everyone who has historical knowledge of EVSTL to continue to share their information. Her email address and phone number are hueyburk@yahoo.com; 480-861-0108

NEW BUSINESS

President Swanson identified the members of the Advisory Council. They are Dick Hawkins, TP; Emily Bloom, TR; Wilf Steeves, VDO; Elaine Baum, VO; Del Stitt, VP.

Nominating committee for 2012/13 will be Warren Peterson, AW/VV; Dale Brooks, MR; and Kathy Tuntland, MV.

Kline Wilson, EVSTL Vice President, reported on his efforts to standardize the form to be used by each park to report players who played in position one for the season. He stressed the importance of providing specific information required by the revised form. President Swanson suggested that "clean-up" be made to **By-Law IX, PLAYER RATING PROCEDURES, Rating Statistics** by renumbering the contents of By-Law IX. After much discussion, a motion was made by Brenda Wiles, CM and seconded by Dale Brooks, MR to change the reporting form and

renumber By-Law IX. Motion carried. In order to conform to the revised form, a change to the By-Law is required. To comply with **By-Law XI, PROCEDURES FOR AMENDING BY-LAWS**, a proposed complete change to **By-Law IX** will be reflected on the agenda for the Jan 29, 2013 for final approval.

CLUB PRESIDENTS/VOTING REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

Information was provided by at least five parks on the status of courts at their park. AW/VV new courts may be ready for use by January 2013. LW is diligently working on “fund raising” to build new/additional courts. SSV reported that their new courts are complete.

Jackie Labuhn, RH asked about the new schedule posted on the web-site. It was explained that each playing team/level is identified by a number vs color as used in past years. The new schedule does not have a color designated. Her question: “Who specifies the color to each number?” It was stipulated that each match play log MUST reflect the number assigned to each team. If a park chooses to use a color in conjunction with the number, it is their choice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Arnold, VDO reported on the new 75+ league. Six parks have “signed-up” to participate with two additional parks expressing an interest. The league is a “go” and play will be held on Saturdays. This league is completely separate from EVSTL. General information about the league is available on the EVSTL web-site.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

President Swanson stressed the importance of having the President/Voting Representative in attendance at each EVSTL meeting. She was asked if there is a possibility to hold the meetings any other time than during tournaments. Since **By-law Article III** specifies the three “regular” meeting timeframes, she will take it under advisement.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Brona Freeman

Secretary/Treasurer

EVSTL SENIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

January 29, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Ruth Swanson at 2:00 p.m. at Sunland Village. Roll call was taken with fifteen clubs responding, constituting a quorum. President Swanson introduced the Executive Committee members. Each Club President/Voting representative introduced themselves and others from their respective parks.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 30, 2012

Brona Freeman, Secretary/Treasurer moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. A motion was made by Dale Miller, SSV and seconded by Wilf Steeves, VDO to accept the minutes as posted. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was given by Brona Freeman showing a balance of \$421.83. Report was accepted as presented and filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

President Swanson reported that Hal Cohen is retiring as the 1.5 coordinator and a new coordinator is needed. Hal gave a brief overview of the happenings during his tenure and stressed the importance of a player development program. President Swanson thanked Hal for a "job well done" and asked "How many parks have a tennis link on their park's website?" Several parks indicated that they had a link.

A question of age was asked of the President. She stated that individuals may play tennis in the EVSTL when they are 50 years of age.

Kline Wilson, VP reported on the results and recommendations of an Advisory Committee meeting. Representatives from TP, TR, VDO, VO and VP agreed that a couple of the By-laws needed to be modified for clarification purposes with no change of intent.

President Swanson commented on the number required to form a 2nd and 3rd team. She stressed the importance of having more than the minimum required by the By-laws. Also, she stated "It's OK to "sit-out occasionally."

The issue of "sandbagging" was discussed briefly. President Swanson reminded every park that this issue/concern will be monitored by tracking stats of #1 position players each

March and comparing them to the previous March stats. Club Presidents will be contacted as necessary. #1 position players must not disappear after winning 5 matches.

Vice President Wilson talked about By-law IX, Player Rating Procedures, specifically, IX D and the need to change some wording for clarification purposes only. A motion was made by Joe Morton, VP and seconded by Tom Mainers, SR to change wording of By-law IX D for clarification purposes. Motion carried.

Kline Wilson, Vice President talked about the need to clarify By-laws VIII, G and VIII, I. A motion was made by Joe Morton, VP and seconded by Dick Hawkins, TP to change referenced By-laws for clarification. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Kathy Tuntland, MV reported on the Nomination Committee's recommendations for EVSTL officer's for 2013/14. For President: Kline Wilson, TP; Vice President, Tom Arnold, VDO; Secretary/Treasurer, Brona Freeman, SR. There were no nominations from the floor. Elaine Baum, VO made a motion to accept the nominations. Motion was seconded by Ron Roskuski, SVE. Motion carried.

Mel Franz, EVSTL scheduler reported the results from having two schedules for 2012/13. He explained the problems encountered with a fall and winter schedule. After much research for other programs, it was determined that using two schedules was probably not in the best interest of EVSTL. Therefore, a decision was made to return to one schedule for 2013/14.

Each club was asked to poll their tennis club members and give suggestions as to numbers required to form a team .

The 2013/14 season will begin on November 4, 2013 and the last day of play before the Christmas break is December 20, 2013. President Swanson asked each club to consider playing on different days or times when getting close to the Christmas break.

Huey Burk, EVSTL Historian gave an update/status of her efforts to create a historical record of EVSTL. She indicated that she needs information from AW/VV, RH, SR, and SVE. Charter member information, in particular, is needed. She thanked everyone who has provided input to this effort. She encouraged everyone who has historical knowledge of EVSTL to continue to share their information. Her email address and phone number are hueyburk@yahoo.com; 480-861-0108.

President Swanson asked for a show of hands of the parks that provide new balls for each match. Eight or the sixteen parks indicated that new balls were provided for each match.

Gretchen Richards, RH asked about the possibility of having a “universal start time” for all parks. With the number of parks involved and each park’s local policy on the use of court time, it is not feasible to have the same start time for all parks.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

President Swanson stated the next EVSTL meeting will be held on March 26, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Brona Freeman

Secretary/Treasurer

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EVSTL SENIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

March 26, 2013

President Ruth Swanson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. at Sunland Village. Roll call was taken with sixteen clubs responding, constituting a quorum. President Swanson introduced the Executive Committee members. Each Club President/Voting representative introduced themselves and others from their respective parks.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 29, 2013

Brona Freeman, Secretary/Treasurer moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. A motion was made by Dee Brosowski, SSV and seconded by Rick Harmsen, SV to accept the minutes as posted. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was given by Brona Freeman showing an expenditure of \$150.00 to the website manager for the EVSTL website. Current bank balance is \$271.83. Report was accepted as presented and filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

President Swanson reported that with the retirement of Hal Cohen, 1.5 Coordinator, the league is still in need of and looking for his replacement. She encouraged each park to actively encourage their tennis players to consider filling this much position.

NEW BUSINESS

Kline Wilson, Vice President recommended a change be made to By-law V, Duties of League Officers. Specifically, By-law V, B3, delete "November". With the change to the By-law, the V.P. would coordinate a Census for the league in January and March. In reference to By-law V, C3, remove the words "for the fall schedule and December 15th for the winter schedule.". A motion was made by Vicki Dillon, SVE and seconded by Sam Kowalko, GFV. Motion carried.

President Swanson stated that some parks are having difficulty forming teams, especially at the beginning of the tennis season. She, along with Kline Wilson, V.P. suggested a change be made to By-law VIII, J3 to help alleviate team shortages. With the approval required

by By-law XI, E, the change would be implemented at the beginning of 2013/14 season.
Suggested wording is:

VIII, J3. Due to player shortage:

- a. If a member club cannot form even one team at any given level but has players for that level, those players may play for another EVSTL member club on a “permanent” basis. Those players must commit to playing for the ONE team for the season and MUST be placed on that team’s roster. (NOTE: All players must be a resident of an EVSTL member park.) Alternatively, the member club short a few players to form a team may borrow players on a “permanent” basis from another club to fill out a team. Again, those players must commit to playing for that ONE team for the season and MUST be placed on that team’s roster. (NOTE: All players must be a resident of an EVSTL member park.)

After much discussion, it was stipulated that approval is required by both clubs involved. A motion was made by Tom Arnold, VDO and seconded by Dale Brooks, MR, to change By-law VIII, J3 as aforementioned. Motion carried 100%.

Continued concern was expressed by President Swanson of the numbers of team players required at each level. As requested, Mel Frantz, EVSTL scheduler, with the help of Kline Wilson, V.P., prepared and showed a media presentation reflecting the census of each park’s players by gender. Based on the numbers, there is an indication that the league needs to reconsider how it is currently structured and possibly consider dividing it into 2 leagues, one for men and one for women. President Swanson asked all club to keep an open mind. This presentation was intended to be used as “Food for Thought”.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Warren Peterson, AW/VV, stated that their club now has a 4.0 team.

Dale Miller, SSV, shared some information concerning Maricopa County’s inspections and costs associated with serving food at events such as tournaments. He encouraged each park to inquire with Maricopa on the guidelines.

PRESIDENT COMMENTS

All clubs were reminded by President Swanson that the Position One status was due by March 22 and that some clubs have not yet submitted the information. She also asked that each club use the form on the website to prepare and submit this information.

President Swanson thanked all clubs' representatives for the outstanding support during the 2012/13 season. She specifically thanked Henri Rochette, website manager and Huey Burk, EVSTL Historian for their dedication and excellent work in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Kline Wilson, President for 2013/14 stated that he looking forward to the next season. He feels it is an honor to serve as the President and working with all of the dedicated people in the league.

The meetings for 2013/14 will be held on October 29, 2013, Jan 28, 2014 and March 25, 2014 at Tower Point.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Brona Freeman

Secretary/Treasurer